

Members of Congress Stand Together to Denounce Arizona Immigration Law

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The House bill Rep Honda co-sponsored, The Comprehensive Immigration Reform for America's Security and Prosperity Act (CIR ASAP or H.R. 4321) has 95 House co-sponsors, mainly from the Congressional Black Caucus, Congressional Progressive Caucus, Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus, and the Congressional Hispanic Caucus. Pro-immigrant allies in the Congress, including Members of these caucuses and many who are co-sponsors of H.R. 4321, have been invited to speak at Wednesday's event

Rep Honda said, "Arizona's anti-immigrant sentiment is not only anti-American (after all, we are a nation of immigrants) but also financially counter-productive. A study conducted in early 2010 by UCLA professor Raul Hinojosa-Ojeda shows that comprehensive immigration reform garners \$1.5 trillion to the US gross domestic product over the next ten years. Fail to reform immigration, however, and we lose \$2.6 trillion over the same period. On incurred cost alone, the choice is simple."

WHAT: Press Conference re: Arizona Anti-Immigrant Bill and Need for Federal Action on Immigration Reform

WHEN: 11:00 a.m., ET, Wednesday, April 28, 2010

WHERE: House Triangle (U.S. Capitol grounds)

WHO:

Rep. Xavier Becerra (D-CA)

Rep. Raúl Grijalva (D-AZ)

Rep. Luis Gutiérrez (D-IL)

Rep. Mike Honda (D-CA)

Rep. Nydia Velázquez (D-NY)

Other Members of Congress have been invited, but are not yet confirmed